UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

CHARLES E RICE,

Petitioner,

VS.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. C-06-00248

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NATHANIEL QUARTERMAN,

Respondent.

Respondent.

ORDER ADOPTING MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

On September 13, 2006, United States Magistrate Judge Brian L. Owsley signed a Memorandum and Recommendation recommending that respondent's motion for summary judgment (D.E. 11) be granted and that petitioner's habeas petition (D.E. 1) be dismissed with prejudice. The Memorandum and Recommendation further recommended that petitioner is not entitled to an evidentiary hearing and that he be denied a certificate of appealability. A copy of the Memorandum and Recommendation was mailed to petitioner with a card to be returned indicating his receipt of the mailing. The card has not been returned by petitioner nor has the mailing been returned by the U.S. Post Office as undeliverable. Therefore, seeing no objection to this recommendation by either party and having now reviewed the recommendation, this Court hereby adopts as its own the Memorandum and Recommendation as the decision of the Court. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that respondent's motion for summary judgment is granted and petitioner's habeas petition is dismissed with prejudice. The Court finds that petitioner is not entitled to an evidentiary hearing and denies a certificate of appealability.

The clerk shall enter this order and provide a copy to all parties.

SIGNED this 17th day of January, 2007.

Jan's Graham Jack United States District Judge